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Fair today and tomorrow; little change in temperature.

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FIVE CENTS.

TRAIN JUMPS THE TRACK; MANY DIE HARD DEATH

From Thirty to Fifty Are Known to Be Dead in the Ruins.

BROKEN RAIL THE CAUSE

Train Was of the First Type to Have Electric Engine---Stories of Survivors.

The electric suburban train on the Harlem division, which left the Grand Central station at 6:13 o'clock tonight, was wrecked near Mosholu Parkway, in the Bronx. According to the police, fifty persons are known to have been killed, while others were injured. Fire followed the wreck, but it is said the passenger cars were not burned. Physicians from all available hospitals were summoned to the scene, as were two fire engine companies. The cause of the wreck is in doubt. The train was No. 25, and after the stop at 125th street was not scheduled to stop again until its arrival at White Plains. The train would then have made stops at nearly all stations to Brewster, where it was due at 8:06 o'clock.

suburban train on the Harlem division of the New York Central, which left here at over and over. The motor and the smoker following also left the rails and plowed along the track.

The death list will be heavy and is estimated at between thirty and fifty. The majority of the passengers were New York business men living at White Plains, Valhalla, Mount Kisco, Chappauqua and other points along the Harlem division. Many The train, which was comfortably filled, carried many women who had been attending the theater, and many of them

The third rail was torn up and protruded through the side of one of the wrecked cars This car caught fire and burned.

A call was sent for all the ambulances and patrol wagons in the Bronx, and a call for fire apparatus was also turned in. Harlem, Lebanon, Fordham, Lincoln and the J. Hood Wright hospitals all sent am-

Relief Train Made Up.

The New York Central officials immediately made up a relief train filled with surgeons, which left the yards at 43d street and Lexington avenue a few minutes after news of the wreck was received. All the neighboring hospitals sent all the available hospital staff on the train, ten going from

While every effort was being made to give relief to the dying and the wounded at the Bedford Park station everything possible was being done at the Grand Central pital. Orders were sent out to the scene of the accident to bring the wounded in on special trains as fast as possible. The road had been blocked completely by the wreck, but orders were sent out to have all switch speed sidetracked, A small emergency hospital had been opened in the Grand Central station only a few days ago, and the little force in attendance there formed the nucleus of the staff which was organized for relief work there.

Reserves and Patrols.

Fifty police reserves were sent to the scene of the accident and five patrol wagons. The latter were hastily rigged out with first aid, medical supplies and stretchers. These conveyances will probably be used in carrying away the dead.

The train was in charge of Engineer James Stanchfield and Assistant George Semmerville. The conductor was L. W. Hopkins. It was delayed slightly in going through the railroad yards and did not get under good headway until after the yards

The motorman, James Stanchfield of White Plains, was arrested on the order of Coroner Schwanecke. He was locked up in Charles Sommerville of White took his name and address. L. W. Hops, the conductor, was arrested by the

Stanchfield said after his arrest: "It train was going about five miles an to make another stop until White Plains Suddenly there was a jolt, then there came a dragging behind and everything stopped. I couldn't account for what

he did not known anything about it at all. slacking speed, and with such a swerve R. E. Slater, superintendent of the elec-

trical division of the road to Wakefield NEW YORK, February 16.-The electric made an inspection of the wreck and said 6:12 o'clock, jumped the track just above piece of the rail, badly twisted, went the Bedford Park station. Four cars were through the flooring of the car. It is possidown an embankment and turned ble that the recent severe weather had something to do with weakening the rail University Club Members Blend and it broke."

The Death List.

These dead were identified at the Bronx Park police station:

Edwards, Myron E. W., White Plains member American Society of Civil En

Johnstone, E. S., of Briar Cliff Manor. Page, T. F., 40 Barker avenue, Williams

Rosborough, Robert, of White Plains, employed by W. & D. Sloane & Co.

The following is a list of the injured: Apple, Edward, 24 Sherwood Park, N. Y. Angle, Alice, eighteen, White Plains. Baker, Miss A. E., nineteen, Hawthorne,

Bruns, William B., forty, White Plains,

Bruns, Mrs. William D., twenty-six,

Case, Maud, fifteen, White Plains, N. Y. Clauss, Mrs. Pauline, fifty-two, Valhalla. Clauss, Adelaide, twenty-four, Valhalla, daughter of Mrs. Pauline.

Doyle, Virginia, twenty-two. 302 West 112th street, New York city. Boyle, Eugene; cuts and bruises abou the body; Lebanon Hospital.

Geller, Marie, thirty-four, White Plains. Hall, R. W., twenty-six, White Plains. Hall, William, twelve, Mount Kaiso. Hall, Thomas J., forty-five, father of

Hobbs, G. B., thirty-six, Pleasantville. Hubbard, Fanny, sixteen, White Plains. Knox, Mrs. Edward, forty-six, White

Kingbrook, Edna, West 112th street. lacerations of head and bruises; Lebanon

Langle, Mrs. E., 26, Valhalla. Morehead, Eugenie, Pittsburg, internally njured, will die; Lebanon Hospital. Nelson, Mable, 22, Pleasantville. Noll, Ernest, fracture right leg; Lincoln

Oppenheimer, Alfred, 37, White Plains. O'Shay, Annie, a nurse from Bloomingdale, cuts and bruises; Lebanon Hospital. Purdy, Frank Charles, 24, Pleasantville. Rowe, J. C., 27, Sherwood Park. Schafer, Percy, 35, White Plains. Schneider, William, 17, White Plains. Schumay, Edward, 36, White Plains. Sniffin, Willard T., 40, White Plains. Sniffin, Mrs. Willard T., 36, White Plains,

Sniffin, B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-Sharp, Miss Josephine, 19, Indianapolis,

Sullivan, J., 26, Golden's Bridge, N. Y. Wyles, Bessie, 16, White Plains.

Unidentified woman, wearing gold ring marked "F. E. B.," Lincoln Hospital. According to the survivors of the wrecked train, the engineer opened up and sent the train along at a terrific speed. The passengers said the speed was not much less than a mile a minute, and at least forty miles an hour. The train having stopped at 125th street, was not

A Sharp Curve.

The track near 201st street winds around a sharp curve. The train sped Sommerville, Stanchfield's assistant, said around the curve apparently without (Continued on Second Page.)



HAVE COLORS OF

Banners at Banquet.

OCCASION MADE MEMORABLE

Distinguished Company Assembled at the Raleigh Hotel.

RESPONSES TO CATCHY TOASTS

President Roosevelt and Vice President Fairbanks Among Those Remembered-Latter Speaks.

Meeting to do honor to their alma mater, severally and collectively, the members of the University Club of Washington held their third annual banquet at the Raleigh Hotel last night. Songs and stories and college cries reminiscent of old Harvard, of Yale, of George Washington University and of schools all over the land were the rule of the evening, and as the chorus of one of the songs put it-

"Hurrah! hurrah! for all the boys. We are here to make a noise. And if you do not like our way In our back yard you cannot play." Five hundred covers were laid for the feast, and the seating capacity of the new banquet hall at the Raleigh was taxed to its utmost. David T. Day was chairman of the banquet committee, and under the direction of himself and his fellow-committeemen no pains were spared to make the occasion a memorable one. The menu was prepared in most novel fashion, the cards being in representation of a college "eat, drink and be merry" couched in Latin, all faithfully signed and sealed semblance of the real "sheepskin." "He a wise grad who can read his own diploma at the top of each card, and this and the list of good things in the center were probably the most intelligible portions of

Among the guests who accepted invitations to be present were Ambassador Jusserand of France, Ambassador Jus-serand of France, Ambassador Nabuco of Brazil, Mr. Justice Wendell P. Stafford, Dr. Charles W. Needham, president of George Washington University; Ambassador Creel of Mexico, Dr. Ira Remsen, president of Johns Hopkins University, Representative Adam Bede of Minnesota Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, Dr. William DeWitt Hyde, president of Bowdoin College; Representative Theodore E. Burton, Mr. Justice John M. Harlan and Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson, the first seven of whom were called upon to respond to the formal toasts of the evening. George

B. Cortelyou, Postmaster General, pre-sided as toastmaster. The toasts and those who responded to The toasts and those who responded to them were as follows:

Dr. Ira Remsen, "Research—A Word to Conjure With," but one still beyond the grasp of the muck raker.

Monsieur J. J. Jusserand, "Scientific Kinship of Two Republics."
Senor Joaquin Nabuco, "Scientific Oppor-Mr. Adam Bede, "The College on the Senor E. C. Creel, "Monetary Reform in

Dr. C. W. Needham, "The Hub of the Justice W. P. Stafford, "Classics." Specimen Stanzas. To the tune of the "Princeton Faculty Song" the diners sang poetic stanzas, rife

with witty thrusts at the men who were called upon to speak. The first to thus 'suffer" was Postmaster General Cortelyou, to whom was sung the following:

"Here's to George B. Cortelyou,
For men like him are very few;
From early youth he chose the text,
Oh, Lord! what job will I hold next?" "Old Manhattan Isle" was the tune to (Continued on Second Page.)

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Presidential Nominations.

ate the following nominations:

The President yesterday sent to the Sen-

To be surveyor of customs for the port

of Patchogue, N. Y., Sydney O. Weeks, and

a number of postmasters, including the following in Virginia: J. W. Davis, Rural Retreat; R. W. Garnett, Farmville; T. H. Smith, Manchester; W. H. Parker, Onan-

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ployes.

AMENDED MEASURE PUT III

Next Year.

that the House leaders have framed up a proposition whereby a very large percentage of low-salaried government employes outside of Washington will get substantial increases and department employes in Washington will get nothing at all, except perhaps some choice citrus fruit, Representative Davis of Minnesota and other advocates of a general salary increase bill have not lost hope. Representative Livingston of Georgia, a member of the legislative subcommittee on the House committee on appropriations, said yesterday that if the post office appropriation bill, which carries increases of salary for very nearly 100,000 low-salaried government employes outside of Washington, passes the House he does not see how his colleagues can get away from a proposition to increase the salaries of government employes in Wash-

Amended Davis Bill.

The amended Davis bill, to which reference has been made previously in The Star, provides for "a temporary addition to the compensation of the civil employes of the government" and makes allowance for those government servants whose compensation is affected by the increase in the post office appropriation bill. The new bill provides that every civil employe of the government whose compensation does not exceed \$2,500 a year "and has not been or shall not be otherwise increased during this Congress" shall be paid 20 per cent over and above the total compensation paid In all other respects the bill is similar to

Representative Payne of New York, floor leader of the House republicans and Representative Littauer of New York, who, in Pennsylvania, is the ranking member the legislative sumcommittee on the House committee on appropriations, have both been quoted as saying that there would be no general increase this session, as there was not time to properly consider the sub-ject, involving as it does the expenditure of a large sum of money and affecting thous-ands of government employes. Mr. Payne's statement was dignified and held out some hope that action might be had during the first session of the sixtieth Congress. On tauer, to whose efforts the recent increase in salary of members of Congress is largely due, denounced in no mild terms the Davis bill and similar general increase measures as "rank" and idiotic." Mr. Davis has taken exception to the characterization of his bill as "rank" and to a Star reporter he yesterday aired some of his views concerning his measure and Mr. Littauer's

Mr. Davis Talks.

"I did not know that Mr. Littauer was the mentor of Congress," said Mr. Davis, "but from his utterances on the subject of what he was pleased to term my 'rank' bill, I can see that Mr. Littauer is indeed the mentor of Congress, in his own esti-mation at least.

REPLIES TO LITTAUER

Representative Davis on Increase to Clerks.

IS NEEDED AT PRESENT

Right Here in Washington by Em-

Will Provide for a Temporary Relief, and Reclassification Can Come

Notwithstanding it is generally supposed

the original salary increase measure introduced by Mr. Davis.

for the rank and file of low and moderate-salaried civil employes of the government. It is true that this is the short session. But it is likewise true that every one of the money bills, with the possible exception of the naval appropriation bill, shows large inthe naval appropriation bill, shows large increases. I understand, moreover, that the sundry civil appropriation bill, which has not yet been reported to the House, will be the largest in the history of the government. Sufficient time was found to raise the salaries of members of Congress. The salaries of two-thirds of the civil em-ployes of the government aimed to be taken care of by my measure, have been pro-vided for in the post office appropriation

not the time is lacking. My measure pro-vides for a temporary increase, and in the of government employes, to correct injus-tice where injustice is found to exist, to raise this particular salary and that partic-ular salary where they are found to be below grade, and in general to make a thor-ough and comprehensive readjustment of salaries of civil employes. But this relief of a percentage increase is absolutely needed at this time. It is not consoling to a man whose house rent and grocery bills fall due with painful regularity to assure him that he will be 'reclassified' at some undeter-mined time in the future. It does not help pay for the necessities of life to assure him that Congress at some day in the sweet bye-and-bye will raise his salary maybe. Not a bit of it.

Relief Needed Now.

"This relief is needed now. It has been given, so far as a committee of the House can give it, to the vast majority of civil employes of the government outside of Washington. Of the remaining 50,000 or so who do not share in this distribution of undivided profits of prosperity by the government, the greater part live in the city of Washington. And it is right here in Washington that the proposed percentage increase would do the most good. It is here that prices are high, it is here that rents are high, it is here that the necessities of life are daily increasing.

"It must not be forgatten by these who

"It must not be forgotten by those who speak carelessly of the supposedly vast sums of money that it would take to carry out the provisions of the Davis bill, that two-thirds of the employes to be affected having been taken care of in the pest office appropriation bill, it would take only six or seven millions more to provide for the increase to the remainder of the deserving ones.

disapproval on my 'rank' bill goes out of his way to speak favorably of a 'muchneeded reclassification' of civil employes of the government. Why is it that a reby their efforts in behalf of their friends and their friends' friends have knocked pay in the various departments of the government. The proposed reclassification would undoubtedly do good, but it can be made when Congress indeed has plenty of time. It is not absolutely needed at the present moment. It would not reach the seat of the trouble. It would not serve in place of the presents in the p in place of the percentage increase to which the low-salaried government servants are entitled, and which they should prompt ly receive.

Unjust Discrimination.

Supose the post office appropriation bill carrying increase for approximately 100,000 civil employes of the government, becomes a law. Will any one contend that the deserving classes of government employes not taken care of in that measure have not been unjustly discriminated against? I ployes come in my mind. There are the the land offices, clerks in the Washington departments-I could name many Are they not as equally fitted in the post office appropriation bill?

I thing no one will deny it.
"The real work of the government is done by the moderate-salaried men. They are the backbone, the mainstay, of the administrative system. Chiefs may come and chiefs may go without affecting in any degree the efficiency of the work departments. They are merely incidentals, ornamental portions of the machinery and not cogs in the wheel.
"Your high-salaried official oftentimes

wins promotion and reward as a result of the efforts of his subordinates. Occasio ally we find an official who wins reward for the performance of work that he doesn' understand. The work, it is true, is wound up with his label on it, but the chances are that he merely appended his signature to the completed product and solely on the responsibility of some moderate-salaried clerk whose initials appear upon the work as a guarantee. I know of one case in point—I have no doubt there are many others-of a bureau chief who had his sal ary raised as a reward for excellent work done by a thousand-dollar clerk under him And he is still receiving that \$1,000 a year. "Mr. Littauer seems to be particularly riled over the fact that my bill, which provides a maximum of \$200 and a minimum of \$100 for increases, would give to the charwomen who work in the government departments for \$240 a year an increase of \$100. Is it on that alone that he condemns the bill as 'rank'? In view of the small number of such charwomen, the small amount of compensation they receive and the very small percentage the total additional paid to them would be of the whole, I think this is pretty small foundation on which to base a general condemnation of the measure.

Reclassification Talk.

"Mr. Littauer cannot talk any more earnestly concerning a proper reclassification of salaries than I did in my first statement, issued at the time I introduced my increase bill. As I have said, the statement concerning reclassification comes particularly well from Mr. Littauer, in view of the fact that he and his equally powerful colleagues have largely contributed to upsetting the equilibrium of government salaries. fact that he and his equally power-

"Perhaps Mr. Littauer thinks that by put ting off the government employes with talk of reclassification and the like the statute of limitations, so far as hope of relief is concerned, will intervene. I am very confident that Mr. Littauer, for various and sundry reasons, is in favor of the statute plied his views upon it to the case of the government clerks, hoping it will prove as effective there as elsewhere.

"I do not believe that Mr. Littauer expressed the belief of the Keep commission

in his statement concerning opposition to a general increase, sentiment in favor of reclassification alone and additional compensation for special employes. I think it will be found when the commission's views become known that a general advance is favored in addition to the reclassification and special employes proposition.'

MUCH CREDIT DUE SIMS.

Tennessee Representative Introduced New Smoke Amendment.

Representative Sims of Tennessee, nember of the House District committee, was warmly congratulated by a number of his colleagues at the Capitol yesterday as a result of the passage of his amendment to the smoke law, extending the provisions of that act to railroad locome tion in the District of Columbia. Mr. Sims framed the amendment, pushed it hard in committee and in the House, and, his col-leagues think, is entitled to the credit for this piece of legislation.

"Representative Payne has said that a general increase measure is one that should receive the greatest possible consideration and that there was no time at this session to do anything at all in the way of relief

COUNSEL NOWAT ODDS

Delphin Delmas May Get Out of Thaw Case.

INTERVIEWS OBJECT

Given Out by Californian's Law Partner.

REFLECTIONS ON MR. JEROME

Many Think Defense Has Been Badly Handled-Trial to Resume on

Monday.

pecial Dispatch to The Star NEW YORK, February 16 .- Delphin M.

statements as were attributed to him, but case. Mr. Gleason went up tonight to talk the matter over with Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, and Mr. Hartridge called upon Mrs. Wil-

Friction Has Been Growing.

While the disagreement, as far as Mr. Delmas is concerned, only came to a head through the interview attributed to him this afternoon, the dissatisfaction with Mr. Mc-Pike began through certain statements published as coming from him in an afternoon paper on Friday. They represented him as saying that the defense had already beaten the district attorney to a standstill and that if he applied for a lunacy commission it would be "his last desperate gasp." He was also represented as saying that in excluding certain evidence of Dr. Britton D. Evans "the district attorney committed the most grevious error that Mr. Delmas or myself have ever heard of in law," and he and his partner had come from the far west to teach him law

Great exception was taken to these opinions by both the Thaw family and Messrs. Hartridge and Gleason. It was pointed out that Mr. McPike had really nothing to do with the case. He was in court simply as the partner of Mr. Delmas and was seated at counsel's table as a courtesy. He was not retained for the defense and had no authority to comment upon its progress. Consequently, the following official state-

ment was issued this morning by Mrs. William Thaw: "Mrs. William Thaw wishes it to be understood that the only lawyers retained as

counsel for her son are Messrs. Hartridge, Peabody, Gleason, Delmas and O'Reilly. Any one else sitting by courtesy in court and making statements in advance of evidence does so without warrant and it might be regarded as a breach of confidence if such statements were founded on fact. Mrs. Thaw is moved to say this because of the published statements of the methods of the defense, whether assumed or false.'

Conferences Today.

Mr. Delmas this morning made a special effort to see Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. He telephoned to the Hotel Lorraine before 10 o'clock, but found that she had a'ready left for the Tombs upon her regular visit to her husband. He had intended to ask her to come to his office at the Equitable building and, as he missed her, he dispatched a mesenger to catch her before she entered the Tombs. Mrs. Thaw was evidently not at all pleased at the summons as she has so little time to see her husband on Saturday, but at length yielded to the messenger's importunities and went to Mr Delmas' office where she was in consultation for three-quarters of an hour.

It was suggested that the conference might be about the stories connecting the name of Evelyn Nesbit with the Lederer divorce case, but Mr. O'Rellly, who came in while Mr. Delmas was still in conversation with Mrs. Thaw, denied that that was

met a reporter from a morning newspaper and had a conversation with him. As soon as it was finished the reporter hurried over to the office of Mr. Hartridge at 149 Broadway and asked him wha. he had to say about the matter. Mr. Hartridge immediately sent for Mr. Gleason and, with Mr.

Peabody, they went into conference. Meanwhile, a number of other reporters called on Mr. Delmas and asked him what it was that he had given out in the morning. He said: "All I have said to any reporter today is that if Mr. Jerome brings an application for a commission of lunary we shall use every effort to defeat him." He then went on to answer a number of unimportant questions about the conduct of the defense.

Stormy Session of Counsel.

At 4 o'clock all the lawyers met in Mr Delmas' office, and he was asked how it was that he had granted the interview in question. According to the statements given out afterward, he strenuously denied that he had said anything to which his colleagues could possibly take exception. Then Mr. Hartridge produced proof that he could not deny. The meeting was exceedingly stormy and lasted for nearly three hours.

It was decided to lay the whole matter before the Thaws thmselves, and it is ex-